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LOCAL NEWS

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

Rev. and Mrs. H. O. White of Wylie came up Friday on a visit to relatives for a few days.

C. E. Obenchain of Greenville was here the latter part of last week.

Prof. Hubbard closed a successful term of school at Woodlawn last week.

Mrs. F. C. Thompson and baby, Frances, and nephew George Willis have returned from a few days' visit at Sherman.

J. E. Bateman was in from Celina recently and enrolled his name on our list of subscribers.

N. J. Darden of Dallas spent the latter part of last week in this city.

Ex-city-Assessor and Collector W. F. Simmons of Sherman has been arrested on four charges of embezzlement.

Sherman had a romantic jail wedding last week. Hal Sims, under sentence of three years, was married to Miss Madge Shouse of Springfield, Ill.

R. L. Worsham and Miss Blanch Looney were recently married in this city. Eld. Jno. M. McKinney officiated.

The Willow Springs debate Friday night drew several attendants from town. Among them were John Doyle, W. S. Terrell, T. W. Perkins, Gabe Lucas and others.

Pres Duncan and Jim Thomas despaired of getting into uncle Sam's service through the local military company, so they went to Dallas and enlisted.

NEARING COMPLETION.

The county sewer system is fast nearing completion. The sinks and closets have been finished in the jail and will be completed in the court house within a few days. Contractor Kelley thinks that the system will be ready for use by the 10th of May.

FAIRFIELD SCHOOL.

The Fairfield public school by Prof. Brown, closed with appropriate exercises Wednesday afternoon and gave the final exhibition Friday night. The program consisted of music, recitations and dialogues and was pronounced by the immense audience as a great success.

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Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been recorded in the County Clerk's office since last report:

Horace Williams and Miss Carine Boggess.

Henry McCollom and Mrs Lillie Leach.

Jerry Robinson and Miss Josie Mullin.

R L Worsham and Miss L B Looney.

L N Chapman and Miss Ida Sandifer.

W R Scott and Miss Tommie Bradley.

DISTRICT COURT CLOSED.

Long and Busy Term Closed With Eleven Sentences to the Penitentiary.

The district court, after six weeks of hard labor, closed this morning and Judge Dillard left on the S. S. & S. for his home in Bauſman.

This term was one of the busiest ever held in this county. The first four weeks were taken up by the civil business and the remaining two weeks were devoted to the criminal docket. Several criminal cases were continued till next term of court.

During the progress of the criminal docket ten men and one woman were sentenced to the penitentiary as follows:

Jim Johnson, burglary, 2 years; Wm. Grimes, burglary, 2 years; John Jones, passing forged instrument; 2 years; J. F. McKissic, passing forged instrument, 2 years; C. I Wolfe, offer to bribe officers, 2 years; Walter Edwards, burglary, 2 years; Mattie Dowell (colored), burglary, 2 years, Perry Freeman, burglary, 2 years; Jesse Brimer, burglary, 2 years; Geo. Hathaway, assault to rape, 2 years, and A. P. Richie, murder, a life sentence.

Miss Fannie May Bowman, of Plano, was in the city yesterday, the guest of Mrs. Hamilton.

Mrs. Mary W. Smith returned yesterday from a two weeks' visit to relatives in Sherman.

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THE SHELLING OF MATANZAS

American Ships Were Not Long in Silencing the Batteries of the Spaniards.

MARKSMANSHIP OF THE AMERICANS WAS UNEXCELLED.

Shot and Shell From the Spanish Guns Did Not Touch One of the American Fleet, Though There Were Some Narrow Escapes by the New York.

Staff Correspondent Kansas City World.

Key West, April 28.—At noon yesterday the New York and Puritan engaged the Spanish shore batteries at Matanzas. Eighty five shots were fired, the Cincinnati coming into action and firing a few shots at the last. The shore batteries were silenced in twenty minutes, when the American warships, having accomplished their purpose, withdrew.

No Americans were hurt. The Spanish loss in killed and wounded was probably less than 100. This is surmised from the appearance of the batteries after the firing.

Two days ago it was reported to Captain Sampson that a new fort was being built at Matanzas. The Matanzas gunners were reported very alert. They twice fired on the Foote. Yesterday when the New York and Puritan sailed slowly into the broad bay of Matanzas it was for the purpose of attending to their batteries. From the bridge of the New York nothing was to be seen, the batteries being carefully masked.

The stillness continued unbroken until almost 1 o'clock, when there was a puff of smoke from Point Maya, on the east, and an eight-inch shell splashed the water near the New York. Almost instantly the New York replied with a gun of the same calibre.

Then for 15 minutes cannonading was almost incessant, the New York bringing all her guns into play. She drew to within 3000 yards of the forts on Point Rubalcaya on the west, while the Puritan deployed to the east and engaged Point Maya with her small but good rapid battery. It did not take long for the Yankee gunners to locate the land batteries by the smoke of their guns, and as the ships drew nearer long red streaks of newly turned earth showed where work had recently been done on them.

After the range finding shots had been expended, the American fire began to do execution. Almost instantly with the flash from the gun a column of dirt and mortar would rise from the ramparts of the batteries as the 250 pound shells exploded. The batteries, whose fire with eight-inch explosive shells was at first spirited, began to lag as their guns were damaged or dismantled.

Three a minute with the precision and accuracy of a machine, the New York threw shells into Rubalcaya. The debris shower of one had hardly fallen upon the doomed fort before another squirted upward. The punishment was terrific, and the Spaniards apparently were prevented from getting the range of the warship. One shot whistled over the New York, but most of them fell short or went wild.

The Puritan was all the while shelling Point Maya with sullen persistency and the Spaniards were tearing up the water around her but not hitting her once.

The Maya battery was more powerful than Rubalcaya, but nothing could withstand the 12-inch guns as they spoke twice in each revolution of the Puritan's turrets.

At this time the Cincinnati was seen signaling for permission to come into action. An answering signal from the flagship and she steamed into close range and blazed away with tremendous rapidity as if to make up for lost time.

The answer from shore was becoming feebler and less frequent and finally at the end of 20 minutes ceased. Another signal fluttered on the New York and the American guns also became silent. But Maya took one more chance and an eight inch shell sped spitefully but wildly toward the Puritan.

The Puritan trained a 12-inch gun right below the balloon of smoke which told where the shot came from. The aim was wonderful, the shot apparently striking the exact point sought. Up into the air fifty feet flew dust and debris and no one yet knows how much of the gun and her crew.

As the warships drew away, except for rents and scars where the batteries had been, the landscape was as quiet as when they steamed into the bay. No one was in sight, but Rubalcaya and Maya from being formidable had been rendered harmless.

The discipline on the New York and Puritan was perfect. The gun crews worked as if at target practice, a greater intensity and eagerness only being observable. There was no cheering. The whole proceeding was most business like.

The concussion of the great guns was deafening, but between shots the officers gave orders in ordinary tones. The armored deck of the New York seemed to rise slightly at each shot, but everything had been made fast, and all was as snug and tight when she went out of action as when she went in.

As far as observation from sea would indicate the Matanzas defenses were rendered valueless, and when the time comes for landing troops nothing more formidable than muskets and field pieces may be feared.

Sampson to Hold Advantages Gained.

Washington, April 28.—Orders have been sent to Admiral Sampson instructing him to retain the advantages gained in silencing the batteries of Matanzas, and to prevent the remounting of the guns and the completion of the fortifications.

Portugal's Neutrality Announced.

Lisbon, April 29.—The decree announcing the neutrality of Portugal is published in the Gazette today. The proclamation forbids the equipment or entry of privateers in Portugues waters, and permits the entry of beligerents into Portuguese ports for a brief stay only.

NEWS FROM THE SEAT OF WAR.

The Entire Cuban Coast to Be Bombarded and Porto Rico Blockaded—Hellen Gould's Liberal Offer.

REAR ADMIRAL SAMPSON TALKS.

Says He Can Force Havana To Surrender Within One Half Hour.

Key West, April 28.—The Ambrosio Bolivar, a little Cuban coasting steamer, taken by the monitor Terror last night off Cardenas, arrived here tonight. There was found $70,000 in silver specie stored away in her, besides a cargo of bananas and 300 casks of wine. She was bound for Havana.

Washington, April 28.—Sampson was to lay ordered to bombard the entire Cuban coast.

New York, April 28—The Journal's bulletins state that Sampson says that the result at Matanzas yesterday convinced him that he can make Havana surrender in one half hour.

New York, April 28—The World says that this government has sent another ship to blockade Porto Rico harbor. The result at Matanzas yesterday has greatly encouraged the officials at Washington.

Key West, April 28—The guns at Moro Castle fired on the New York again this morning but failed to strike her.

Key West.—The Terror has arrived with the Spanish ship Gindo. The Terror fired three shots, all of which took effect, and the Gindo hove to. She had on board 750 tons of provisions.

London, April 28—Portugal has notified the Spanish government that she can make no further use of the Portugese cable to Cape De Verde Islands. This is took to mean that Portugal has issued her proclamation of neutrality.

Washington, April 28.—Miss Helen Gould has telegraphed to President McKinley, offering to donate $100,000, to be used for national purposes. The president will accept this generous offer.

Austin, Tex., April 27.—Advices were received here this afternoon that Secretary of War Alger has designated Austin instead of Houston as the place for the concentration of the four regiments of Texas troops.

No news has been received of the expected naval conflict off Manila.

SPANISH SPY CONVICTED OF TREASON.

Discovered Filing The Lock off the Magazine—The Newport Brings in a Prize—American Consulate Attacked in St. Vincent.

New York, April 29.—The Journal say that a sailor on the monitor Puritan has been convicted of treason by a drum-head court martial and will be shot. He is a Spaniard and was caught filing the lock off of the magazine.

New York, April 29.—Government detectives here are watching the Spanish residents. Some of them are suspected of being spies.

Key West, April 29.—It is reported here that the Spanish soldiers in Cuba are burning Cuban cities and are killing all the Cubans they can catch.

Key West, April 29 (1:30 p. m.)—The monitor Terror and gunboat Machias, bombarded Cardenas this morning, and many Spaniards were killed. The batteries on shore were silenced in two hours. The American ships were not injured.

Lisbon, April 29.—The Official Gazette will publish tomorrow a decree declaring the neutrality of Portugal in the conflict between Spain and the United States.

Toronto, Ont., April 29.—Senor Polo received several long cipher cables from Madrid last night. The only information, however, which could be obtained was that as a result of one of the cables the minister might at any moment have to start for London.

Lisbon, April 29.—The Portugal secretary of foreign affairs says that a declaration of neutrality, like that issued during the France-Prussian war will be made today. This means that the Spanish fleet now at Cape Verde, must leave at once or remain inactive till the war is over.

London, April 29.—Today's reports from St. Vincent say that the Spanish fleet sailed today. Destination unknown.

Cape Verde, April 29.—The Spanish Admiral here has sealed orders to sail. The orders are not to be opened until the fleet has been 12 hours at sea.

Santiago, Spain, April 29.—A Spanish mob attacked the American consulate in charge of the British consul here last night.

Key West, April 29.—The Newport arrived in the harbor with a small Spanish prize this morning.

Washington, April 29.—The war department has asked for an appropriation of $34,000,000 for the support of the army for the remainder of the fiscal year, ending June 30.

A message from Dallas Friday stated that the Southern Pacific railroad had unearthed a scheme of the Spaniards in Mexico to invade and make a raid on the Texas border. Great excitement prevails and some credence was given the report.

DEWEY CAPTURES THE ENTIRE SPANISH FLEET.

No Official News Received at Washington, But the Report is Widely Circulated.

CUBANAS BOMBARDED AND SILENCED.

Sampson's Fleet Silenced the Guns at the Cubanas Forts—Latest News From the Field of Conflict.

New York, April 30.—The American liner Paris has just been sighted east of Fire island.

Madrid, April 30.—The Spanish government is enlisting men between the ages of 15 and 50. They are urged to enlist under penalty of arrest.

New York, April 30.—The Paris has arrived and is at her docks with her cargo of war munitions and 150 passengers.

Berlin, Germany., April 30.—Prince Bismark says that Germany should not bind herself by a proclamation of neutrality for in the event her interests are made to suffer, she will have to interfere.

Washington, April 30—It is now considered certain that the United States will place a protectorate over the Hawaiian islands and use Honalula for a base of action on the Pacific.

New York, April 30.—The Journal bulletins report that Cubanas opposite Moro Castle has been bombarded and silenced by the American ships. The fortifications were completely demolished.

New York, April 30.—Dispatches from Washington state that 20,000 troops will be landed in Cuba not later than Thursday night.

Madrid, April 30.—All the American correspondents were expelled from Spain today.

SPANIARDS ARE MYSTERIOUS

Whether the Fleet Has Sailed Or Not Can Not Be Stated.

New Yorks April 29.—According to a dispatch from Madrid to a local paper it has been officially announced in Madrid that the Spanish fleet has sailed from St. Vincent, Cape Verde islands, presumably for America.

On the other hand dispatches direct from St. Vincent state that the fleet is still there, but all arrangements have been completed for departure, and it is believed that the Spaniards will move within the next twenty-four hours.

LAST NIGHT'S BALL.

The society young people enjoyed another select ball at the opera house last night. The music furnished by the DeArmond orchestra was excellent and all conditions were favorable to a delightful time which was reported as a reality at the close of the program. In attendance were the following:

Dudley Perkins, Miss Pauline Pace, of Corsicana; McCarty Moore, Hattie Waters; Henry Warden, Jesse Stiff; Chauncey Dewey, Clara Brooke; Dr. Hunn, Annie Brooke; Yancy Powell, Mamie Craft; Arthur Anderson, Betsy Wiley; Volney Coleman, Ona Cameron; Oscar Smith, Stella Eubanks; Jim Andrews, Eva Howell; Henry Emerson, Ludie Lindsey; Mrs. Lovejoy, Mr. and Mrs. Howell Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Morten, Mr. and Mrs. Shirley, Miss Margie Lovejoy, Hugh Dowell and Oll Stiff

The following pupils of the city school have received head marks this week: In spelling: Otie Buck, Ora Webb, Ella Felton, Lutie Anderson and Pearl Moore. In Mental Philosophy: Nannie Moore, Bessie Hamilton, Ella Felton, Pearl Moore and Nettie Calloway.

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Arrives at McKinney at 11:30 a. m. daily from Weston, Roland and Chambersville.

Leaves McKinney at 7:30 a. m. daily for Celina, Vineland, Rhea Mill and Roseland.

Arrives at McKinney at 6 p. m. daily from Celina, Vineland, Rhea Mill, and Roseland.

Leaves McKinney at 1 p. m. daily for Blue Ridge, Altoga and Verona.

Arrives at McKinney at 12:30 p. m. daily from Blue Ridge, Altoga and Verona.

Leaves McKinney at 1 p. m. daily for Wylie and Lucas.

Arrives at McKinney at 12 m. daily from Wylie and Lucas.

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North bound,	Cannon ball	5:21 a. m
"	No 3	9:47 a. m
"	No. 15	12:28 p. m
"	No 1	7:50 p. m.
South bound	No 2	8:17 a. m.
"	No. 16	3:10 p. m.
"	No 4	5:53 p.m.
"	Cannon Ball	10:05 p. m.

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Local "	2:40 p. m.
Passenger, arrives.	4.55 p.m
Local "	10. 35 a. m

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P. C. THOMPSON, Editor and Proprietor.
WALTER B. WILSON, Local Editor.

The man who fuses principle away to get into office is not a man to trust with office.

The populists of Colorado have declared for a straight-a-head course, and full People's ticket.

From every State comes the cheering news that the flag of true Populism has been raised, and the veterans and volunteers are gathering around it.

The People's party has done with fusion forever. It has shown to the world that it will submit to leadership only when that leadership moves in the right direction.

It is being demonstrated for the first time that the rank and file of a political party shall rule it. If Senator Butler and his co-conspirators think different they are mistaken. They are standing on a volcano.

While the advocates of fusion are truckling to the leaders of the Democratic party, the army is moving along different lines—of true Populism and no compromise. The spoilsmen are being left behind.

The men who profess to be the leaders of the party to-day are not leading it. It cannot be led into the Democratic party. It cannot be led into the Republican party. It will not become an instrument to prop up the falling fortunes of either, to the end that a few men may be promoted to official position.

When asked how we are to co-operate, Mr. Butler says: "On honorable terms." When asked what is meant by "honorable terms," he replies "honorable co-operation." This is about the substance of his explation, and it is apparent that Butler is trying to dodge the responsibility of saying in plain English that what he means by "honorable co-operation" is a fair division of the offices. That's all there is to it.

In 1896 those who oppposed fusion pointed out the fact that it had always been followed with disaster. We were told then that while that was true, the situation was different then from what it ever had been. But the same disastrous results followed, and now the fusionists under the leadership of Chairman Butler have begun the same tactics by saying that the situation is different now from that of 1896 or any other time.

Fusion with other parties means loss of identity to us as a party; it means that we endorse much that we know or believe to be wrong, and, in so doing, strengthen one or the other of the old parties, and weaken our chances of success in obtaining that for which we, as a party, were organized; moreover, we know that with the elements now composing the two old parties, few, if any, our demands will ever be secured.

If the People's Party is good enough to unite with other silver parties, why is it not good enough for silver men to join? Now let us be honest with ourselves, and reason without prejudice. When a great political party has been organized, embodying in its platform what we consider the vital issues, goes into the fight and casts ove two million votes, and still has a national organization with fifteen hundred newspapers advocating their principles, what would be the rational thing for the silver forces to do? Would it be to organize three or four other silver parties, and divide the silver vote, or join the one great silver party that was already in the field? Would we not be stronger, more powerful, united under one banner than under four?

Populists, as a party, denounce as false the theory that there can be intrinsic worth to money, and deny the necessity of any material for a money standard. They take this position because they believe that both the theory and the standard demand and turn money into a commodity, and destroy its money functions. Both old parties defend the intrinsic value theory and demand a standard, and, therefore, fusion or co-operation with them is impracticable.

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The blood rich and
Pure, giving it power
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Dyspepsia, rheumatism,
Catarrh, scrofula,
And all forms of
Impure blood.

KILLING NEAR CULLEOKA

Jack Pollard and Jim Russell Got Into a Difficulty—the Former Killed and the Latter Badly Wounded.

A killing, somewhat akin to mystery, occurred near the little village of Culleoka Saturday night, in which one Jack Pollard was killed outright and Jim Russell was badly and possibly fatally wounded.

The participants were partners and were cutting wood on the McAdams farm, in that vicinity. According to Jim Russell, the survivor of the difficulty, no weapons other than the bare fist were used. However the wounds on Pollard, deceased, indicate the use of some blunt instrument, similar to an axe or plow point.

Both parties, it is said, were "on a spree" and the cause of the difficulty is yet unknown.

After the fight both parties in company with other friends were on their way to Culleoka to secure surgical attention, when Pollard fell and the other parties thinking that he was drunk left him alone. Russell and friends proceeded to Culleoka but failing to find a physician went on to Wylie where City Marshal Hamp Howery arrested him and wired Sheriff Coffey, who together with Judge Faulkner, proceeded to the scene. When about half way to Wylie they met Howery and his prisoner coming to McKinney. Sheriff Coffey took charge of the prisoner and brought him to this city, while Esquire Faulkner and Marshal Howery went to Culleoka to hold an inquest over Pollard the result of which is not yet known. Pollard, it is said, is a man of family but Russell is single.

THE LAND IS GONE.

The Children of Free America Disinherited.

Men arrived at maturity of manhood know that, when they were boys, land could be had for $1.25 an acre in Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa. This was the best land. In all these states homesteads could be settled freely. In Kansas and Nebraska pioneers could settle, if they desired sequestration from the rest of humanity. Detroit was a far western city. Duluth, Minneapolis, Kansas City, Omaha, Des Moins, Denver did not exist in the popular mind. "The West the West the boundless West," appealed to the imagination and thereafter exceeded its limits. There was more land than the tribes of men would want. The father said to his son: "I have settled in Ohio; you shall have Indiana. My grandson shall have Illinois. His son shall cross the great river. His great-grandson shall go forth into the unknown country beyond the Big Muddy. It is 1855. It shall be far off beyond the year of our Lord 2000 before the division of land shall be accomplished."

The men who of that day had empires in their brains, but not the empire of greed and mammon, which has triumphed in our land system. The son of the Ohio man looking today upon the United States cannot espy one acre of arable land on which he may peaceably settle. Whole states of enormous size, have disappeaded from the public domain as a feast before harvesters.

Incomprehensible misfortune, that land sufficient for the proprietary of a billion souls should be so early apportioned that any part of sixty millions, and that some of the original possessors, should be without a roof of their own!

Two motives may press the pioneers of today. One may be the love of adventure, inborn in man. The other may be this early, this tragic disinheritance. The reader must judge for himself how far the multitude—for multitude it is—respond to either or both of these ideas. Spreading across the western portion of the continent are the holding of vast corporations. The land that should have been our children's has been bestowed by reckless and profligate congress on conspirators to many of whom taxes were also "loaned" for the purpose of building railroads. These corporations, seeking an immediate market for their self, have patrolled Europe, offering the peasant of the earth the estate of freedom.

The country is gone. It belongs to the railroad companies, whose stockholders live 4,000 miles away. It belongs to lords and dukes. It belongs to people who babble strange tongues, steeped in ways of peasantry, open to charlantry, indulgent of aristocracy and taxation. It belongs to barb wire companies. Pull down the musty congressional records of 1862-1880. Read the land office reports. Stupendous crime of popular government! What will be its penalty?—Chicago Herald.

Piling It On.

Here lies the man whose crown was won
By blowing in an empty gun.
—Stubenville Herald.

No sooner in the gun he blew
Than up the golden stairs he flew.
—Richmond Baton.

And met the girl on heaven's green
Who lit the fire with kerosene.
—Elevated Railway Journal.

He also saw, astride a stool,
The man who tampered with a mule.
—Rochester Express.

We can't let the this opportunity pass
To mention the man who blew out the gas.
When asked the cause, he meekly said,
"The papers I had never read!"
—Galveston News.

The same reply came very quick
From the man who bought the golden brick.—Prison Bulletin.

Whites Grove Whittlings.

May 2nd, '98.

The social at Mr. Bryants last Wednesday night in honor of their daughter Luritta's birthday was well attended by her many friends. It was very much enjoyed by all. Miss Bryant certainly knows how to entertain her friends on such an occasion.

Mr. Sperry and family visited their daughter Mrs. McGraw at Culleoka recently.

Miss Minnie White of Foncine visited her aunt Mrs. Slater last week.

Harvey Thomas and mother of Farmersville visited their brother and son W. H. Slater Saturday and Sunday.

Charlie Martin of McKinney was out driving in our midst Sunday.

Mrs. Sperry and daughters visited at Mr. McMahan's last Tuesday.

Mrs. Hollman visited Mrs. Slater last Wednesday.

Sunday school at the Grove every Sunday morning.

Singing in the evening everybody invited, the class has ordered some new song books and with a little practice they will certainly be able to entertain all who enjoy the anthems of sweet music.

Mrs. J. T. Nale and sister, Miss Burks of McKinney visited their aunt, Mrs. McMahan, and attended singing at the Grove Sunday.

Mr. R. C. Craver went to Climax on business last week.

BLACK EYES.

ALTOGA ATOMS

Smiling Countenances Of Many Candidates, Fifth Sunday Meeting.

May 3rd, '98.

Dr. Rucker and family and Miss Allie George are visiting relatives here and at Verona the present week.

There was a good attendance at Johnson Thursday night to hear the "Yankee Detective."

Dr. Jno. L. Young was here Thursday.

Wesley Lawson has just recovered from a few days sickness.

L. B. Collins has been fencing lately.

Squire Faulkner was here Thursday in the interest of his race for County Judge.

Several pleasant faced candidates attended the entertainment at Johnson Thursday night.

Dr. Wright of Melissa was here a few days ago.

Several of our young people attended the exhibition at New Life Saturday night.

J. A. Carson and Miss Cora Greer of Greenville Texas are visiting the formers mother of Johnson.

The first ball game of the season was played Saturday afternoon, Altoga vs. Johnson, the score stood 48 to 30 in favor of Johnson team.

Mrs. Dr. Rucker visited Mrs. L. Cameron Saturday.

Rev. W. H. Vance preached holiness to our people on the streets of our town Saturday evening.

Silence now reigns among some of our citizens who were protesting a few days ago that there was no fight in the president.

The next fifth Sunday meeting of Collin County Baptist Association will be held at this place May 27, 28 and 29.

Rev. Lough preached an interesting sermon at Altoga school house Sunday evening.

Dr. Hunter and W. H. Rucker went to Valdasta Sunday evening.

Homar Martin of Melissa was here Sunday.

Crops are looking better, wheat is fine, the rain that fell yesterday was needed.

Bro. Hudleston filled his regular appointment Sunday at Johnson.

QUIEN SABE.

An Old Idea.

Every day strengthens the belief of eminent physicians that impure blood is the cause of most of our diseases. Twenty-five years ago this theory was used as a basis for the formula of Browns' Iron Bitters. The remarkable cures effected by this famous remedy are sufficient to prove the theory correct. Browns' Iron Bitters are sold by all dealers.

HENRY WILEY'S DUTIES.

In Reply to a Query from His Brother He Defines His Duties on the Gunboat Maple.

Henry Wiley, son of Dr. T. W. Wiley, who has for near ten years been in the United States navy, was recently promoted to the office of executive of the gunboat Maple at Hampton Roads. When his brother, Jim Wiley, learned of his promotion wrote him to know what his duties were. In a reply on April 29th received here Monday he defines his duties as follows:

"My duties as executive officer are to get the ship ready for sea, arrange the crews, station the men at the guns, drill them, maneuver the ship, look out for the cleanliness of the ship, etc.

"At general quarters going into action, etc. I direct the fire of the guns, and in case of boarding another ship I lead the boarders, etc,"

He stated that he did not know exactly where his ship would go but in all probability it would join the blockading squadron in front of Havana.

Refering to the chances for combat with the Cadiz fleet he said that we would completely demolish it.

He is very enthusiastic and confident of a victory for the American ships.

Mrs. G. J. S. Walker and little daughter, Florence, returned Sunday from a pleasant visit to Dallas.

A MINSTREL TREAT.

Theatre Goers Royally Entertained By the Plano Minstrel.

The theater going people of our little city certainly enjoyed one of the most elegant treats in the capacity of a regular old Georgia Minstrel given at the opera house Monday, and despite the enclemency of the weather, a very large and appreciative audience greeted the foot lights.

The opening chorus by the young ladies, was greeted with much applause and all had that determination about them which assures success.

The recitation by Miss Palmer bespeaks for her a bright and prosperous future in the elocutionary world.

Miss Verma Jones, one of Plano's most beautiful songbirds rendered a very charming and catchy song, her magnificient voice and charming face brought the house down, and she was encored until forced to appear in another song.

Miss Kendrick executed most perfectly a difficult instrumental piece of operatic music.

Encore after encore greeted Miss Fannie May Bowman as she appeared before the audience and with perfectness in manner and gestures unequaled, rendered in a rich and mellow voice, which thoroughly captured her audience the beauteful song entitled, "I Love but One." She has the gift of a calve in presence voice, sympathy and nobleness of ideas. Her ability and personal magnetism certainly assures for her the greatest of success.

Too much cannot be said of the perfect drills, graceful poses and queenly movements of Plano's fair daughters who more beautiful than the morning, more glorious than the evening, and altogether lovely, rivalled the ancient goddess of love and beauty.

The minstrels although blackened with soot, nevertheless covered themselves all over with glory. The gags were rich, new, and full of enthusiasm from beginning to end and as they were cracked here and there, there could be seen all the beautiful colors of the rainbow playing upon the faces of the audience.

Messrs. Hudson, Owens, Mendenthall, Pickett and Wyatt deserve an unbroken current of praise for their platform work, big of heart, big of brain, magnetic, eloquent and sincere, they would grace any foot-light and please and up-lift the most fastidious audience.

The grand and great cake-walk combined with the old time rag carried all back to the good old Georgia scenes and there is no question but what they were "hot times."

As a whole the minstrel was a success and fully up to the standard, they entertain while they instruct, and the occasion was one of pleasure and profit to both the actors and the audience.

Notice.

Rowlett Cemetery.

All who are interested in the Rowlett cemetery are earnestly solicited to be present at the Old Rowlett Creek church on the 14th of May, at 9 o'clock on that morning as there will be a report of the officers of the country association and an election of officers for the term of one year There will be a memorial address that morning at 10 o'clock delivered by Maj. E. F. Brown of Sherman. At 11 o'clock the grave will be decorated. And at 1:30 o'clock in the evening Capt. W. N. Bush will make a talk in memory of the old settlers who have passed away. The rest of the day will be taken in soeial chatting and renewing old acquaintances. It is expected that all will come out and bring full baskets. If it is not so you can bring the full basket come anyway, you will find plenty on hand to eat and drink. All friends to the cemetery are expected to be present early, as the election of officers will take place before the speaking. Instead of appointing a committee to solicit flowers we ask all the ladies to bring flowers and those that can't come please send them it.

Mrs. Rachel Witt, Mrs. Robert Floyd, Mrs. Jo Baumgardner, Mrs. Grunda Hedgcox, Mrs. Etta Durham, Mrs. Lucy Carwyle will receive flowers sent them and instructions carried out.

LONE CHRISTIE, CH'M.

AN EPITAPH.

In a Scotland church-yard, on an old grave-stone are these lines in memory of Alexander Muffins:

"Our life is but a winter's day;
Some after breakfast go away;
Others to dinner stay
And are full fed.
The oldest man but sups
Then goes to bed.
Large is his debt,
Who lingers out the day;
He who goes soonest has the least to pay."

Decoration at Cottage Hill

The Quarterly Conference of the Weston Circuit will convene at Cottage Hill at 10 a. m. May 14, 1898. Preaching by Rev. S. W. Miller at 10:30, followed by dinner on the ground. At 1:30 an address by Eld. R. C. Horn, followed by the decoration of graves; after which the business of the quarterly conference will be attended to.

Everybody invited to attend and bring with them a well-filled box or basket of grub, and all the flowers they can.

M. W. Pafford,
S. Frances,
J. W. Wester,
} Com.

Onion Growers Attention.

We the undersigned onion growers hereby call a meeting of all Onion growers in Collin county to convene at the court house in McKinney at 4 p. m. Saturday June 4th for the purpose of considering the propriety of entering into a permanent county organization. All persons in anywise interested in the onion industry are urged to be present to advise with each other as to the results, good or detrimental, coming from such an organization.

J G Williams
W A Hall
Tom Young
W B Pope
R A McLarry
W R Bailiff
J R Robbins
W M Horn
W H Slater
H M McMahan
W H Perkins
W Pendergrass
G W Shields
W W Wetsel.

Populist State Platform.

The following is the proposed platform suggested by the Texas Reform Press Association.

1. That we cordially and earnestly invite every citizen of Texas to unite with us in inviting and perfecting the foundation for a campaign, which will destroy forever the last vestige of ring rule.
2. That will insure a fair ballot and an honest count.
2. That will secure a reduction in officials salaries to correspond with the price of labor and its products.
4. A reduction in the expenses of the state government.
5. Relief from the onerus burdens now imposed by the occupation tax.
6. Reform in the judiciary of our state.
7. The construction of a relief state railroad which will protect the shippers, as well as the producer and consumers.
8. That will prevent any issue of interest bearing bonds without sanction of the popular vote

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE FIRST VICTORY

Was Complete and Decisive

The Spanish Asiatic Fleet Together With the City of Manila

Succumbed Before the American Fleet Under Command of Dewey.

Washington, May 2.— ..... When the details of the battle fought by our fleet off Manila is received here it will appeal more strongly than ever to the patriotic demonstrations already shown by our people. The fact that Spain acknowledges her defeat is taken to mean that the defeat was even more decisive than heretofore reported.

Washington, May 2.— ..... It is thought here that Dewey is bombarding Manilla today and that he will land a force in that city some time this evening. In the conflict yesterday the United States didn't loose a ship. It is not known exactly what other damages we sustained.

Madrid, May 2— ..... Spain is preparing to send out a large fleet of cruisers to privateer.

Washington, May 2.— ..... Secretary Long reached his office before 9 o'clock this morning but up till 9:15 had received nothing from Dewey. The cable from the Phillipines is still in Spanish hands, and until it is wrested from them no official message can be sent by Dewey except by steamer to Hong Kong or Singajau. If he occupies Manilla the department will be immediately advised.

Washington, May 2.— ..... It is officially learned that Sagasta has absolutely failed to buy supplies on credit and it is believed that poverty will end the war.

London, May 2.— ..... The British consul at Manila had a consultation with Admiral Dewey this morning. It is understood that the United States fleet will bombard Manila this evening.

Norfolk, May 2.— ..... The torpedo boat destroyer Sovereign joined the flying squadron this morning. The steamer Miller will sail today for Tampa and will be used as a transport ship.

SUMMARY OF A HISTORIC DAY.

May 2, 1898.

The American victory at Manila was complete and decisive, the Spanish fleet being utterly annihilated.

The land forts in the suburbs of Manila were being bombarded by our batteries.

Spaniards cut the cable and the result of the bombardment is not known.

Madrid populace was so demonstrative of its displeasure at the defeat that martial law has been declared.

Spanish cabinet council met in extraordinary session.

News of the United States victory created a profound impression in Europe.

Rejoicing in Washington continues and the town is wild with enthusiasm.

Dewey will be voted a resolution of thanks by congress.

Germany, France and Austria may oppose the continued occupation of the Phillipines by United States forces.

The sending of troops to permanently garrison the Philipine ports is seriously considered in Washington.

Great Britain approves the government's plan for an immediate campaign against all the Spanish insular possessions.

Now that the eastern fight is over, a great battle is expected in West Indian waters.

BRITISH CONSUL WILL NEED PROTECTION.

New York, May 3.— ..... The British steamer Ely arrived in this harbor this morning from Guantinama, Cuba. She had 80 passengers on board including United States Consul Tice. Just before leaving Guantinama the Captain was informed by the British Consul that he would need protection because of the fact that the Americans are left in his protection.

WILL FORM A NATIONAL MINISTRY.

Madrid, May 3.— ..... The Impartial, in its review of conditions in Spain today says that a national ministry will probably be formed instead of the Cabinet.

Madrid, May 3—(Special to the Courier)—A special from Cadiz says that the Palayo, Alfonso, and Victoria are nearly ready. Private advices say that great difficulty is experienced, owing to the lack of money. British engineers have refused to run the vessels.

$18,000,000 NEEDED.

Washington, May 3.— ..... Geo. H. Blanchard, president of the joint traffic association has been appointed to take charge of the transportation of the volunteers from the different states to places of rendezvous in the south. Secretary Long sent in a communication today, stating that he needs a deficiency appropriation of $18,000,000. Congress will be asked to provide the amount.

WILL NOT LAND TROOPS IN CUBA.

Tampa, May 3—It is now expected that no troops will be landed in Cuba. The Cubans are massing the natives, Shafter said this morning: "Equip the Cubans and await results. If it requires further movements on our part we will make them." The orders issued to the men to be ready to embark were revoked this morning. It is thought that the result at Manila will cause the Spaniards to back down.

TWO THINGS...

Good Goods at a Low Price.

We feel warranted in saying that we are in a position to sell you as

Cheap

As any house in town and assure you of as good a selection in

Spring and Summer Materials

As you desire to buy. We call your attention especially to our splendid assortment of

Organdies, Tissue, Lawns, Brandenburgs, Percales, Swisses, Dimities, Madrass, Sateens, Mouslims, Ducks, Cotton Suitings, &c.

These goods are all new design and pattern, and something that will please you.

Ladies Gloves and Corsets.

The celebrated R. & G., W. & B., and Featherbone Corsets you will find of the best quality and fit, and you should have these goods.

Hosiery

We handle nothing in this department but the best brands and you will find every pair perfectly reliable.

Ladies Collars and Cuffs

All the latest styles in these goods

Shoes

This is our Special. We show you the best and newest things in this line. Don't fail to look through this department when in town.

Boys' and Children's Clothing.

We have given careful attention in this particular line and can show you the best and most complete assortment of these goods ever shown in McKinney

Men's Hats.

We are fully up on this department, handling all the good and new things out for this season. We are showing an excellent line of Straw, Crash and Manilla Goods.

Gent's Furnishings.

We challenge comparison in this line Call on us. We have a first-class stock at low prices. Yours truly,

McDowell & White,

Postoffice Corner.

Spain's Trouble At Home, &c.

Bread Riots in Spain Daily Resulting in Bloodshed Is Believed to Be Much Worse Than Reported.

MAY SEND TROOPS TO THE PHILLIPINES.

Concentrating at San Francisco Where The Charleston Will Take Them to Manila.

VACCINATING SOLDIERS AT TAMPA.

London, May 4-- Madrid dispatches, though censured and garbled to make it appear that the government fully controls the situation, shows that the people throughout that country are turbulent and only held in check by military force. The dispatches admit that trouble was caused at Valencia and Barcelona, but says it was suppressed with bloodshed. Later news via France tells a different story and says unless Spain wins a substantial victory at home the monarch will be overthrown. It is reported that plans were made in Madrid to establish a military government with Weyler as director. It will not take much to make him the Napoleon of Spain.

Valligo, Cal,, May 4th-- It is reported at the navy yards that the cruiser Charleston got its commission Tuesday to immediately start for the Phillipines. She will convey one or two fast steamers filled with coal, food, ammunition and troops.

Portland, Oregon, May 4.-- General Merriman has been ordered to send the fourteenth infantry to San Francisco. It is supposed that this is the first move toward sending troops to the Phillipines.

Tampa, May 4.—The army surgents began work this morning vaccinating the boys. The patrol boat Uncas captured a small prize last night.

Valencia, Spain May 4— The seize of Valencia resulted in the city being put under martial law. A republican mob attempted a demonstration yesterday but were dispersed by mounted police.

New York, May 4-- Two more sub marine mines in the harbor defenses were found cut adrift from the cable this morning. Thus far six mines have been cut loose. It is believed that Spanish spies did the work.

Madrid, May 4--- The report that Campas was assassinated was a mistake. A dispatch from Kingston says that the British consul at Santiago was attacked by a mob. The consul killed several Spaniards and was arrested. British war ships have been sent to his rescue.

Key West, May 4.-- The gunboat Wiimington yesterday destroyed the Spanish fort, nearing compldtion four miles from Coguna, in about two minutes. A few shells from the 4 inch guns did the work.

Washington, May 4th. A number of messages from Dewey will be forwarded by the British consul at Hong Kong immediately.

As we go to press the report is that Sampson will at once take possession of Matanzas and hold the same for the landing of U. S. troops for the invasion of Cuba. The insurgent General Gomez is nearing that place with his army. It is also reported that a civil war is about to break out in Spain and that the Queen Regent may resign. The government at Washington has not officially heard from Dewey.

NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

Definite News From Dewey Is Promised----British Consul Will Forward The Dispatches From Hong Kong.

Key West, May 4.—The English steamer, Eveline, laden with coal, bound for Cuba, was stopped by Sampson's squadron this morning and was ordered to go to this city. The United States will buy the coal. The captain of a schooner captured off Havana, says that food is scarce in Havana. The soldiers are seizing food belonging to families and a food famine threatens the citizens.

Hong Kong, May 4.— The United States revenue cutter, McCulloch has arrived at Mirs bay from Manila, but left before the battle took place and consequently brings no news.

Washington, May 4.—The steel ship, Vigilance, has been chartered by the war department to follow the army that is to invade Cuba. She will carry a large quantity of ice and other supplies.

Santa Cruiz, May.—Inquiring into the powder mill explosion shows that Spanish spies had no hand in it.

Tacoma, Wash., May 4.—It is reported that the Indians are dancing thirty miles from Tacoma. The whites are armed, fearing an outbreak.

Loncon May 4 —A dispatch from Lisbon says the Cape Verde fleet has joined the Cadiz fleet.

Key West May 4 —Sampsons fleet sailed this morning.

Washington May 4 —The president has nominated Breckinridge as brigadier general.

Newport, May 4.—The Minneapolis is in the harbor here, but nothing is known of the cause of her visit. The New Orleans went to sea this morning, presumably for practice.

Washington, May 4.—Secretary Long's estimate for the navy deficiency is, $2,929,000. It was sent in today and ordered printed.

Tampa, May 4.—Orders were issued this morning for the troops to carry a full quota of ammunition while on drill and practice march, which means 100,000 rounds. Instead of 40 officers being taken from other ships it is expected here that the Iowa will arrange to escort the transports.

Washington, May 4.—The navy department has received official information that the McCollock has arrived at Mirs bay. Dispatches from Dewey are expected.

COUNTY CAMPAIGN NOW OPEN.

Candidates For County Judge Will Shell the Woods, Beginning Monday, May 16.

The democratic candidates for County Judge have arranged for a tour of the county for a joint discussion of the questions pertaining to that office.

Candidates for other offices will be allowed to announce at each meeting, but will not be given time to make lengthy talks.

The dates for the series of meetings are as follows:

Lebanon,	at night,	Monday,	May 16.
Rock Hill,	" "	Tuesday,	" 17.
Rheas Mill,	" "	Wednesday,	" 18.
Celina,	" "	Thursday,	" 19.
Roseland,	" "	Friday,	" 20.
Weston,	" "	Saturday,	" 21.
Melissa,	" "	Monday,	" 23.
Anna,	" "	Tuesday,	" 24.
Seven Points,	"	Wednesday,	" 25.
Valdasta,	" "	Thursday,	" 26.
Pike,	" "	Friday,	" 27.
Blue Ridge,	"	Saturday,	" 28.

KERR-DOWLEN.

Mr. S. Granville Kerr and Miss Helen Dowlen, two McKinney young people, were married at Sherman Tuesday, of which the Sherman Daily Register of yesterday evening states the following:

"S. G. Kerr and Miss Helen Dowlen who admitted, that they were a runaway couple from McKinney, were married at noon today by Rev. W. R. Grafton, pastor of the C. P. church, at the latter's residence. They returned home on the afternoon train." The groom is an enterprising Collin county boy, and the bride is the 17 year old daughter of Mr. G. H. Dowlen of our city. The Courier extends best wishes.

Dr. Largent spent yesterday in Dallas.

FULL STORY OF THE FIGHT.

HOW THE AMERICANS WENT TO BATTLE AT MANILLA AND HOW THEY WON.

FOUGHT LONG, BRAVELY AND WELL.

Never for an Instant Was There the Slightest Indication of Panic or Terror. Terrible Destruction.

Madrid, via Biarritz, May 3—(Special to the News.)—The following graphic account of the Manilla battle has been secured from official reports and clothed in the correspondents own words. It is the first authentic running account published.

Saturday night fell with the Spaniards on land and water quite cheerful over the coming engagement. Shortly after midnight, the darkness being intense, one of the guns on Corregidor suddenly boomed out. All the other guns about the entrance to the bay took up the cry. The anxious people of Manilla, twenty miles up the bay, poured into the streets. They thought the battle had begun. In reality the American fleet was already past the entrance and was on its way to the opposite side of the bay.

How the Americans got past the forts is not yet known. It is believed they did not have to fire a gun and it is said the location of mines was known to them, and that Admiral Dewey daringly resolved to run the chance of being misinformed.

It was a night of terror in Manilla. Women and children fled to the churches while men rushed to and fro in the streets. Dismay seized upon the Spanish soldiers. They had not believed the Americans could ever get past entrance of the batteries and mines. Long before dawn the panic became a frenzy, because of the reports that came in from the interior that the natives were massing for a descent upon the city for pillage and massacre.

When day broke tens of thousands were watching on all sides of the vast and beautiful harbor, and saw the enemy in line of battle about ten miles out, directly in front of Manilla. With a bright American flag floating gayly over each ship, with rigging, decks and all visible appointments so neat and trim, the fleet seemed out for a holiday rather than awaiting the opening of the only real demonstration of an ironclad fleet in action the world has ever had.

The Spaniards could hardly believe their eyes on seeing this formidable apparition in the very center of the harbor almost within firing distance of the capital city of their last remaining eastern possession. It seemed incredible, impossible.

They had not long to watch and speculate. The sun was hardly clear of the horizon before the American fleet began to steam in a slow and steady fashion straight in toward the city. Near its resting place were anchored three men of war from other nations—French, German and English. The decks and riggings of each of these ships were thronged with eager officers and sailors. Discipline seemed to be forgotten in an intense desire to see what the yankees would do—those yankees who in three-quarters of a century had never sent a hostile fleet into any port of European powers.

On came the American fleet until it was within about three miles of Manilla. Then the Spanish guns at the battery at the end of the mole spoke. Then the Spanish fleet, steaming slowly up from Cavite, came echoing shots. The American fleet turned. The two duelists were face to face.

When the American maneuvering brouht their ships within range at about 5:45 a. m. the real duel began. The Spanish fleet stood steady, flanked by the Cavite batteries on the south. The American fleet began to steam languidly to and fro. There were one or two sharp cracks, then a succession of deafening roars and then one long reverberating roar that boomed and bellowed from shore to shore. A huge cloud of smoke lay close upon the waters. Through this the American ships could be seen moving, now slowly, now more rapidly flames shooting from their sides and answering flames leaping from the Spanish ships and land batteries, while now and then from the direction of Manilla came a hollow rumble as the big guns there were discharged.

About 7:30 a. m. there was a lull in the terrific uproar. The wind blew away the haze and one of American gunboats was seen making off toward the western part of the bay clearly disabled. A cheer went up from the Spanish boats. The Americans could not have suffered great loss up to this time as not many shots from the heroic but incompetent Spanish gunners had struck them.

When the ships were again seen the Christiana was wrapped in flames. On her decks the sailors Spaniards and natives, were running frantically about. The Isle de Cuba was near and part of the Christiana's crew, perhaps all that were alive and the Spanish Admiral, went aboard her, but hardly were they aboard whe she too burst into flames.

Confusion now reigned throughout the Spanish fleet. On every vessel the decks were slippery with blood and the air was filled with shrieks and and groans of the wounded. Spaniard and native sailors rushed about in a frenzy of rage rather than of terror.

The Americans, seemingly calm and cool and still in good order, pressed their advantage. In fact they pushed on too closely, for they, too, now began to lose as the fires from the Cavite batteries became effective. At this juncture the Don Juan de Austria became the center of interest. She had been in the very front of the battle and had received perhaps more of the American shots than any other. Admiral Montijo on the burning Cuba threw up his arms with a gesture of dispair as the heavy roar came from the Austria and part of her deck flew up in the air, taking with it scores of dead and dying and mangled. A shot had set off one of the magazines. She was ruined and sinking, but her crew refused to leave her. Weeping, cursing, praying, firing madly and blindly, they went down with her.

As the Don Juan went down the Castilla burst into flames. The remainder of the Spanish fleet now turned and fled down the long, narrow island behind Capite. Several of ihe gun boats were run ashore. Others fled up a small creek and were grounded there.

The guns of Cavite kept on thundering, and the Americans, pressing their advantage no furthyr, drew off. As they steamed away towards the waiting transports, the Spaniards went wild with joy. The thought that the American fleet was crippled and that it would be unable to escape from the harbor. But very soon the American fleet, with her decks again cleared and with fresh supplies of ammunition, was steaming back toward Cavite.

This second engagement was short. The last Spanish ship was soon sunk. The American guns were trained on Cavite and one ship after another steamed along pouring in a deadly fire. At 11:30 a. m. the batteries of Cavite ceased to answer and the American fleet, with ringing cheers from the exhausted but triumphant crews, steamed jubilantly back to the transport ships.

The American attack was as magnificent in execution as in plan. In every movement the Americans showed an invincible combination of daring, caution, coolness, heat, valor and skill. The battle of Manilla was gloriously lost by Spain; it was as gloriously won by the Americans.

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. W. D. Davis is recovering from a five days illness.

Fine Wines for family use at Doc Turner's.

Henry Lewis returned Tuesday night from a business trip to Dallas.

Mack Cook has returned to the graduating class of the McKinney College, after a few week's illness.

The Nickle Store next door to postoffice has what you want.

Miss Annie Hood has returned to Plano, after a visit to Miss Joe B. Davis in this city.

The rich and the poor, the high and the low all trade at the Nickle Store.

For groceries, fresh, staple and fancy go to Goostree & Houston.

That enterprising market man, Wm. Allen, shipped two carloads of fine hogs to the Dallas and Fort Worth markets yesterday.

Goostree & Houston are among the largest grocery firms in North Texas.

Whit Dowlin is recovering from a serious spider bite. A doctor had to be called in to relieve him.

John Martin and son, Lonnie, of Viney Grove, passed through McKinney yesterday enroute to their ranch in Young county.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Straughan of Viney Grove, were in town yesterday. Mrs. Straughan visited her mother, Mrs. Harriet Wilson.

J. H. Stinson, a prominent farmer and live stock man, of Stinson schoolhouse community in south Collin, transacted business here today.

B. C. Childress, a Rhea Mills merchant, was in town yesterday. He says the wheat and oat crops in that section are fine, but needing rain now. He says rain would also do corn much good.

The Nickle Store has a big stock of useful goods too numerous to mention and too cheap to steal.

On the 1 st instant H. E. Smith assumed charge of the McKinney postoffice. Mr. Smith served in the same capacity under Harrison's administration. He succeeds Mrs. M. A. Cameron.

RELIGIOUS.

Sunday school next Sunday at Episcopal church, but no other service as that is the pastor's regular appointment at Greenville.

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Rev. N. F. Jones of Bloomdale Grove, Texas, preached Sunday morning and evening at the Methodist church. Subject for his morning's discourse was "The Triumph of Christianity" and at evening "Salt."

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The congregation at the Christian church sat their "usual" length of time in darkness last Sunday evening, as the lights went out on them, which things seems to occur each succeeding Sunday night.

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The State Convention of the Christian church meets here on June 2, 7. A large delegation is expected, as the $5 maximum round trip has been secured for all who wish to attend. At a meeting of the '98 committee held the different committees were appointed, and in course of a few weeks they will call on the citizens to help entertain the delegates during the convention. About eight hundred are expected.

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Eld. B. B. Tyler began a series of meetings at the Christian church last Sunday, and will continue indefinitely. He is a plain, logical talker, full of vim and energy, and great results may be expected from his series of sermons. His subject for last Sunday morning and evening were "An example of consecration," and "The Great Salvation." That for Monday evening was "The Nature of Salvation," for Tuesday, "The Instruments of Salvation," for Wednesday, "The Conditions of Salvation," and for Tuesday and Friday evenings, "The assurance of Salvation," and the number of the saved." At four o'clock during the afternoons he conducts a Bible reading, which is very instructive to all that attend.

There were 17 additions to the membership of the church at prayer meeting Wednesday night April 27, and 3 at the morning service last Sunday. The 17 were the result of a meeting held by Eld. Wm. Johnson at Fairfield school house.

Do You Believe in War ?

It makes no difference whether you do or not the Nickle Store is anxious for your trade.

Go to Melton's for groceries. His goods are what you want and prices right.

Postmaster Smith is calling on all those who own boxes to report to him the names of all who get their mail in said boxes. He will make an alphabetical list of such names and compare it frequently with the general delivery.

The celebrated Old Crow, the O. F. C. and W. M. McBrayer brands of whisky's, at Doc Turner's, east side square next door to Smith Bros.

We are proud of our grocery trade and customers and hope to number every reader of this among our customers who are not already.

Goostree & Houston.

Doc Turner has recently bought out his partner's interest in their saloon and is now conducting the same at the same old stand on the east side of the square.

Invest your nickles judiciously if you would accumulate dollars. The way to do it, trade at the Nickle Store

My grocery store is stocked with everything from the finest candies to heaviest staple goods.

T. J. Melton.

Mrs. Mollie Martin arrived from her home near Ardmore, I. T., Friday, and next day went out to see her mother, Mrs. Goodnight at Rock Hill, who is critically ill.

Go to Goostree & Houston's for spring groceries—they have them.

J. E. Huffines' family, formerly of Wylie, but late of Greenville, passed through the city Tuesday morning enroute to Pueblo, Colo., where they will, in the future, reside. Their friends in Wylie join in best wishes for them in their new home.—Wylie Rustler.

Mr. Huffines was once a resident and grocery merchant of McKinney.

The city trade should remember Melton knows its wants and how to supply them when it comes to provisions, eatables of all kinds, vegetables, fresh country produce, etc. His free delivery is also a prompt accommodation.

Dr. H. L. Pearson has gone to Chicago to take a post graduate course in dentistry; will be back June 1. Any information phone No. 26. Miss Pearl Thornton will be at the office from 2 to 3 o'clock each day.

Eat Goostree & Houston's provisions. They are first-class and as cheap as the lower grades.

Drivers and Saddlers For Sale.

W. G. Thomas has brought in a fine lot of drivers and saddle horses, which he will prepare for market at an early date. See him if in need of either, as he can please you both as to animals and prices.

May is a month of special coffee and tobacco sales at my store. Do you use either? If so, see me.

T. J. Melton.

To Our Readers.

We have contracted with the Daily Courier for the use of its local NEWS service, which we hope will enable us to enlarge our weekly. Those who are in arrears will please remit to us just as early as possible as we need what is due us to meet increased expenses.

Farmers remember please, I want your produce. Also, your grocery trade. T. J. Melton,

W. M. Erwin authorizes us to place his name in our announcement column this week for the nomination of County Superintendent. Mr. Erwin is a Missourian, son of an old ex-confederate veteran. He is a graduate of Kidder Institute of his native state and a trained teacher from boyhood. Several years ago he came to Texas and drew his first wages in the state as a farm hand near McKinney. Since, he has taught terms at Rock Hill, Weston and Melissa. In 1896 he was appointed normal examiner by State Superintendent Carlisle. He has also served on the county board. Mr. Erwin announces subject to the action of the democratic primary and solicits the vote and influence of every citizen.

Graves—Adams.

Yesterday morning Earnest Graves and Miss Daisy Adams, both of Plano, were married in McKinney. The ceremony was said at J. P. Crouch & Co's store, Eld. Johnson officiating. Quite a number of spectators witnessed the nuptials.

All the standad brands of fine wines, whiskies and liquors at Doc Turner's, Saloon east door to Smith Bros.

Doctors Say;

Bilious and Intermittent Fevers which prevail in miasmatic districts are invariably accompanied by derangements of the Stomach Liver and Bowels.

The Secret of Health.

The liver is the great "driving wheel" in the mechanism of man, and when it is out of order, the whole system becomes deranged and disease is the result.

Tutt's Liver Pills

Cure all Liver Troubles.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Subject to the democratic primaries.

For Local Representative
TOM W. PERKINS
JOHN R. SMITH.

For District Judge
J E DILLARD

For County Judge
J. H. FAULKNER
F. E. WILCOX
J. L. DOGGETT
D. P. JOHNSON

For County Attorney
GEORGE HARDIN
H. L. DAVIS

For County Clerk
PAT MOULDEN
W. M. SHIRLEY
J. A. WALDEN

For Sheriff
J. W. PAFFORD
W S COFFEY

For Tax Collector
YANCY POWELL
A W KNIGHTON

For County Superintendent of schools
W. W. SHEPHERD
W. M. ERWIN

For County Surveyor
ED H KEEN

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1
SAM H FOX

For Justice of the Peace Precinct 1.
W. L. YARBROUGH
J. T. ANDREWS.

LOCAL NEWS.

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

D. P. Johnson, of Farmersville, was in the city Monday.

Floor matting at J. T. Nale's.

Mrs. Henry Finch is visiting in Mineola.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.

Postmaster W. W. Chapman of Allen was in the city Monday.

We are now selling the sweet perfume, made in California by Reiger. Smith Bros.

E. Cherry of Sherman, spent Sunday in the city.

Lamps at J. T. Nale's, very cheap.

50 different brands cough medicine. All the reliable kinds, at City Drug Store.

S. H. Dysart, of Anna, spent Sunday in the city.

When you want a complete housekeeping outfit, save money by going to J. T. Nale's one door east of post office

Handsome art studies free with each 50c bottle of California perfumes. Smith Bros.

Tuck Hill left Sunday for a trading trip to the Indian Territory.

For Constipation take Karl's Clover Root Tea, the great Blood Purifier. Cures Headache, Nervousness, Eruptions on the face, and makes the head clear as a bell. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

James P. Collins, of Jefferson, was in the city on business Monday

Window glass all sizes, at City Drug Store.

Queensware and all other kinds of table wares at J. T. Nale's.

Another new odor, California Wild Rose, at Smith Bros.

Prof. A. C. Thompson left Sunday for Denton to re-enter the teachers' academy there.

Our chicken mite destroyer we guarantee to kill mites. We refund the money if it does not. Smith Bros.

FOR RENT—Good McKinney wagon yard, block No. 20 adjacent to the public square. Will lease for year on easy terms. Apply to JENKINS & PEARSON

Car load Collier's strictly pure white lead just received and for sale cheap at Wilcox & Son's Lumber Yard.

W. A. Harroldson, a Princeton merchant, was on our streets Monday.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure cures where others fail. It is the leading Cough Cure, and no home should be without it. Pleasant to take and goes right to the spot. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

For county maps call on J. H. Jenkins.

W. D. Petway of Engleman was here Monday. He is a precinct candidate.

Deputy Sheriff Chief Warden was in Wylie on official business Monday.

Los Angeles Blossoms, true to nature Smith Bros.

Mrs. R. E. Bristol and mother, Mrs. Eubanks, left Monday to spend a few days with relatives in the country.

WALL PAPER, WALL PAPER. All the new patterns from 5c a roll up, at City Drug Store.

Jim Coleman of Colbert, I. T., was in the city Monday. He reports fine prospects in his locality Before returning he will make a business visit to Dallas.

Pure whiskies, wines and brandies for medicinal use, at City Drug Store.

Window Shades at J. T. Nale's, cheap, one door east of postoffice.

Karl's Clover Root Tea, for Constipation it's the Best and if after using it you don't say so, return the package and get your money. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Worthy Master Wallace Hughston of the Plano Masonic Lodge attended the Masonic banquet in McKinney Saturday night.

Best paint on earth, covers more and wears longest, looks best, full measure S. W. B. guaranteed, at City Drug Store.

Try our new perfume, California Wild Flowers. Smith Bros.

W. H. Bertrand, of Hillsboro, Sundayed here with his family returning last night.

Santa Barbara Heliotrope, all the sweetness of Heliotrope in this famous perfume, at Smith Bros.

A Wonderful Discovery.

The last quarter of a century records many wonderful discoveries in medicine, but none that have accomplished more for humanity than that sterling old remedy, Browns' Iron Bitters. It seems to contain the very elements of good health, and neither man, woman or child can take it without deriving the greatest benefit. For sale by all dealers.

W. M. Shirley came down from Melissa Monday where he spent Sunday at home.

Farm for Sale.

A splendid small farm for sale, 62 acres, 45 in cultivation, five miles orthwest of McKinney A bargain. Apply to. WM. HORN Vineland, Tex.

International Stock Food, 3 feeds for one cent, for horses, cattle, sheep and hogs. Every package waranteed, at City Drug Store.

J. H. Sneed and little sons, spent Sunday with his grandmother, Mrs. E. M. Kerr, at Vineland.

Klondyke Snow, a new ice we will serve in a few weeks. Smith Bros.

Catarrh Cured. A clear head and sweet breath secured with Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy; sold on a guarantee. Nasal injector free. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Prof. Naugle of Rock Hill marketed a load of hogs here Tuesday.

Skin Diseases.

For the speedy and permanent cure of tetter, salt rheum and eczema, Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment is without an equal. It relieves the itching and smarting almost instantly and its continued use effects a permanent cure. It also cures itch, barber's itch, scald head, sore nipples, itching piles, chapped hands, chronic sore eyes and granulated lids.

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders for horses are the best tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. Price, 25 cents. Sold by City Drug Store.

Largest stock paints, oils, varnishes, window glass, brushes and wall paper at very low prices. City Drug Store.

Misses Reid, Sadie Wilkinson, Hattie Waters, Messrs. Charlie Frierson and Zizinia were off fishing Saturday.

California Lilac at Smith Bros.

Well Satisfied.

With 1897 we have made a grand change for the better for 1898. We carry up-to-date picture moulding, best grade farmes, queenesware tinware best medium line furniture, cook stoves & heaters.

Asbury & Nelson.

F. W. Mack, real estate and rental agent, has moved back into his old office in the Newsome building.

Shake Into Your Shoes.

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painfull, swollen, smarting feet and bunions. It's the greatcomfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight-fitting or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired, aching feet. Try it to day. Sold by all drnggist and shoe stores. By mail for 25c. in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

W. H. Waterman of Quanah is greeting old friends on our streets today. He clerked several years in McKinney.

A PURE GRAPE CREAM OF TARTAR POWDER

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Awarded
Highest Honors, World's Fair
Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair

Little Myrtle, daughter of W. W. Davis, is again quite sick.

Shasta Lily, a new perfume from California. At Smith Bros.

Mr. G. E. Abernathy was in Dallas on business Tuesday.

WHAT Dr. A. E. SALTER SAYS:

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Gents:—From my personal knowledge, gained in observing the effect of your Shiloh's Cure in cases of advanced consumption, I am prepared to say is the most remarkable Remedy that has ever been brought to my attention. It has certainly saved many from Consumption. Sold by Smith Bros.

Franklin school, 8 miles northeast of McKinney, will give a closing exhibition Thursday night.

The drugs in Dr. Simmons' Sarsaparilla are so concentrated that the dose is very small, but nevertheless, it is so scientifically combined that it is readily retained and assimilated by the most delicate and sensitive stomach. Fifty cents and 50 doses.

Mr. and Mrs. McKemie, of Davis, I. T., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moore.

I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoea ever since the war and have used all kinds of medicines for it. At last I found one remedy that has been a success as a cure, and that is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.—P. E. Grisham, Gaars Mills, La. For sale by City Drug Store.

A. J. Willis, of Trenton, Fannin county, is the guest of his old schoolmate, T. O. Murray in this city.

Backache, Sprains, Bruises, Cuts, Rheumatism, Catarrh, Diarrhoea, Cramp Colic, all aches and pains speedily cured with Hunt's Lighting Oil. Failing, money refunded.

The total enrollment at the public school for the year ending May 1st was 604. A good showing.

Whooping Cough.

I had a little boy who was nearly dead from an attack of whooping cough. My neighbors recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did not think that any medicine would help him, but after giving him a few doses, of that remedy I noticed an improvement, and one bottle cured him entirely. It is the best cough medicine I ever had in the house.—J. L. MOORE, South Bargettstown, Pa. For sale by City Drug Store.

Messrs J. W. Chatman and E. M. Alvord, Superintendent and General freight agent, respectively of the S. S. & S. were in the city Tuesday.

Ringworm, Tetter, Itching Piles, Itch, Eczema cured quickly and effectually with Hunt's Cure. Money refunded if it fails. Price 50 cents.

Hon. J. R. Gough went south Monday night. He will probably be gone several days.

WHEN NATURE

Needs assistance it may be best to render it promptly, but one should remember to use even the most perfect remedies only when needed. The best and most simple and gentle remedy is the Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

J. L. Harper and family came in from Denton Monday, where they had been spending several days with friends and relatives.

Many old soldiers now feel the effects of the hard service they endured during the war. Mr. Geo. S. Anderson, of Rossville, York county, Penn., who saw the hardest kind of service at the front, is now frequently troubled with rheumatism. "I had a severe attack lately," he says, "and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It did so much good that I would like to know what you would charge me for one dozen bottles." Mr Anderson wanted it both for his own use and to supply it to his friends and neighbors, as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lame backs, sprains, swellings, cuts, bruises and burns, for which it is unequalled. For sale by City Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cooke, left Tuesday for a few week's visit to Mr. Cooke's father, at Hood, Texas.

Seekers after gold are often disappointed. Seekers after death take Hood's Sarsaparilla and find it meets every expectation

McKINNEY MARKETS.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Cotton	4.50 to 5.7
Wheat per bus	95 to $1.00
Corn per bus	34to 40cts.
Oats per bus	30 cts
Hay baled per ton	$6.00 to $6.50
Millet hay per ton	$5.50 to $6.50.
Flour per cwt	$3.40 to $2.75.
Cotton seed per ton	$8.00.
Baled Oats per ton	$5.00.
Meal per bus	45 to 50cts.
Straw per ton	$4.00 $4.50
Chops per cwt	75cts.
Bran per cwt	75 to 80cts.
Butter per lb	10 to 12½cts.
Eggs per doz	7 1-2 to 10cts.
Lard per lb	6½ to 7½cts.
Sheep	$2.50 to $3.00.
Hogs per cwt	$3.25 to $3.50.
Beef on foot per cwt	$2.75 to $3.25.
Beef dressed per lb	5 to 6cts.
Dressed pork per lb	4½ to 4¾cts.
Chickens per doz	$1.75 to 2.25.
Irish Potatoes, per bu	$1.00.
Sweet Potatoes, per bu	50 to 75cts.

Postmaster Alma Wilson of Princeton is in town today.

Jack Shirley, a prominent Melissa farmer and father of County Surveyor Shirley, was on our streets Monday.

One of J. D. Cox's big dray horses died Sunday of colic.

Bob Dyer of Greenville was here Sunday.

Cheatham's Tasteless Chill Tonic cures the Chills, builds up the system and drives away all ills. It makes strong the weak and fattens the lean. It's the tonic of tonics, the best ever seen. Fifty cents.

J. W. White and Miss Mary Stone were married in this city Sunday afternoon at the residence of J. E. Hinman.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only postive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood nnd mucous surface of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doeing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of Testimonials.

Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggist, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

J. L. Harper and family have returned from a few day's visit at Denton.

Hon. F. E. Wilcox was present at the closing exercises of Fayburg school, Friday night, and made the introductory remarks of the program.

The regular semi-monthly literary will be given to-morrow night at Bloomdale.

Richardson & Hinman.

If in your good paper
We can have a little space,
We will write a little, but
We hope not out of place.

Come see us, good people,
When troubled with your hair
We trim it up to please you;
Long, short, round or square.

Come try our choicest sea foam,
And finest dry shampoo;
We use the finest razors
And the sweetest lathers too.

In everything pertaining
To the barbers line
We are up to date,
And simply superfine.

And though we are so clever,
Our charges are so small,
As those of other artists
Who take the skin and all.

Ed & Will at the Foote House Barber Shop, McKinney, Texas.

Geo. S. Murphy and wife returned to Sherman Sunday after a brief visit to relatives here.

McKinney's colored base ball team, the clippers, defeated the Dallas West End Fenders in two straight games played here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Goodin left Tuesday for Lewisville, Denton county, for a few days' visit to Rev. D. J. Martin and family.

Mrs. J. L. Doggett was recently summoned to Panola, Virginia, to attend the bedside of her sick father, but reached there too late to see him alive. She will remain for awhile at her old home before returning to Texas.

Teacher's examination for the city of McKinney will be held at the public school building Friday and Saturday, May 6th and 7th.

D. C. Hill was attacked by an enraged steer at the stock pens Monday evening while loading cattle. He was considerably punished, but not seriously hurt.

In the last issue of The McKinney Gazette appeared the following brief, briliant, patriotic and dignified editorial, "To hell with Spain." The Dons will please notice and prepare to obey the ultimatum by proceeding on the donward course.

Misses Pauline and Louise Pace, who have for several days been visiting Mrs. W. P. Suttle, left for their home at Corsicana Tuesday.

J. W. White and Miss Mary Stone, two popular young people of McKinney, were married Sunday and will make their future home in our city. The marriage took place at J. E. Hinman's.

Miss Maud Overaker, Fannie May Bowman, and Myrtle Dudley of Plano, and Miss Dell Yoakum of Denison, took part in the fireman's concert

The Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society of the Methodist held their meeting with Mrs. W. T. Beverly Monday afternoon. Quite a number of guests were present.

A BACKWARD SPRING.

Brings Blood Diseases, Nervous Derangements and Chronic Catarrh.

Never was there a greater demand for spring medicines—something to cleanse the blood, strengthen the nerves, or regulate the digestion. Is there any medicine so good for these purposes as Pe-ru-na? Thousands of doctors, druggists and tens of thousands of people of all classes and vocations have long ago decided this question—that Pe-ru-na has no equal in these cases. Poor, shrunken dyspeptics become strong, vigorous, and hearty after a few bottles of it. People who are blotched, pimpled and sallow and sluggish never fail to find a course of Pe-ru-na to clear the skin, invigorate the system and enrich the blood. Chronic catarrh in all phases and stages, cases that have defied the best of treatment for many years, take a few bottles of Pe-ru-na to their entire relief. Nervousness, debility, weaknesses of both sexes, sleeplessness, irritability, despondency, hypochondria, all these disappear when Pe-ru-na is used according to directions.

One of the most instructive books on chronic catarrh ever furnished free is being sent by the Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio. This book is very instructively illustrated with expensive drawings, and will be sent free to any address.

Misses Lee and Vernie Jones of Plano, are the guests of Miss Fannie Allen. They attended the concert Monday.

The old plank platform around the Sherman, Shrevesport & Southern depot has been torn away and replaced by a nice gravel bed brought from near Hughes Springs in East Texas. This is quite an improvement over the old wooden structure.

The Collin county Baptist ministers conference met Monday at the Baptist church. Rev. G. S. Daughterty of Farmersville and Rev. E. E. King presented papers of interest to the conference.

The following pupils of the city school received honor grades last week: Ora Webb, 99-4; Albert Smith, 99 3; Wince Eastes, 100; Benge Quesenberry, 99-4; Iva Graves, 99; Frand Bailey, 100; Vernie Yarbrough, 100; Houston Foster, 100; Lutie Anderson, 98-6; Midge Ferguson, 99-5; Norma Page, 99-7; Daisy Gerrish, 99-6; Sadie Dowell 99-3; Bessie Hamilton, 99-5; Nannie Moore, 100; Ella Felton, 100.

RECTORY COMPLETED.

The Episcopal Rectory is now complete and ready to receive Rev. Galbreath and his family. They will probably move into the new structure this week.

The rectory is one our of most handsome cottages and is an ornament to that already handsomely built-up addition, College Hill.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been recorded in the County Clerk's office since last report:

Horace Williams and Miss Carine Boggess.

Henry McCollom and Mrs. Lillie Leach.

Jerry Robinson and Miss Josie Mullin.

R L Worsham and Miss L B Looney.

L N Chapman and Miss Ida Sandifer.

W R Scott and Miss Tommie Bradley.

State and Territory Briefs.

Good rain at Marshall.

Burglars are at work at Mount Vernon.

Schrader, the divine healer, is at Greenville.

Denison G. A. R. will observe Decoration day, May 30.

Fine flow of artesian water has been struck at Gatesville.

Rev. H. A. Boaz is conducting a revival at the Abilene Methodist church.

Forty-ton cotton seed oil mill will be erected at Abilene, to cost $32,500.

Prof. T. S. Cox was re-elected superintendent of the Hillsboro public schools.

Dock Brunson, charged with burglary at Corsicana, was given two years in the penitentiary.

An unknown man was found in a box car at South McAlester. Had a letter dated Pacific, Mo., and signed Fannie Allen.

Texas State Horticultural society will met at College Station July 13 in annual session.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Real Estate Transfers.

List of real estate transfers filed for record in the county clerk's office McKinney, Texas, week ending April 29 1898:

B H and M A Oates to Mrs Maud Powell, lot in McKinney, $200.

B H Dement to R M Dement 21a, E B Reed sur, love and affection.

J E Basham and wife to Jas Potcet, lot in Copeville, $30.

W T and Lina Brooke to Mary B Brooke, 66a, G B Pilant sur, $1600.

Mary B Brooke to W T and Lina Brooke, 66a, Pilant sur, $1500.

A H Elliston and wife to W B Odom, tract in Walker sur, $900.

I A Bailey to A H Elliston, tract in Walker sur, $900.

V K Rogers and wife to J E Henry, 24a, D Vanwinkle sur, $275.

F A Rogers and wife to J E Henry, 24a, D Vanwinkle sur, $375.

G W Pierce to Jno McGraw et al, 1 2a De La Pina sur, $110.

J L Dement and wife to B H Dement, 21a, E B Reed sur, $750.

Y S McKinney and wife to J D L McKinney, tract in M R Roberts sur, $625.

Geo J Hale to Mary Brown, tract in Bohannan sur, $400.

T F Burrow and wife to R L Brown, 15a, D Anglin sur, $250.

Joseph Laing to J B Palmer, 46a, D Anglin sur, $100.

Clint Thompson to Mrs P A Wofford, lot in McKinney $400.

J H Wofford and wife to Clint Thompson, lot in McKinney, $400.

W P Honaker and wife to C M Honaker, 2 tracts Hemphill sur, love and affection.

J R Barber and wife to C M Honaker et al, lot in Josephine, $105.

W P Honaker and wife to Mattie Hicks, 150a, Ohara sur, love and affection.

J W McClain and wife to Marion Lindsay, lot in McKinney, $120.

Bowlby Buds.

May 1st, 1898.

Corn is nearly all plowed over and growing nice.

Quite an excitement was created last Wednesday at J.H. Crutchers. One of his dogs slightly bit Gilbert Crutcher on the hand while catching a chicken. They thought from his appearance he had gone mad, and Gilbert went to Anna to apply the mad stone but fortunately the stone did not stick, but he was instructed to come back if his hand pained him again.

Jim Hickey and family visited L. L. Hand last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Hill of McKinney visited their parents of this place last Monday.

J. A. Crutcher gave the young people a singing last Sunday night.

There will be baptizing next Sunday evening at the McKinney and Denton crossing on Wilson creek.

There will be a meeting held Monday night for the purpose of taking donations for a church and school house.

CENTRAL.

Col. Bently on the Situation in Texas

Col. H. L. Bently, member of the People's Party National Committee for Texas and the new editor of the West Texas Sentinel, in an exhaustive article on the political outlook in Texas, has this to say in a recent issue of his paper:

"In the campaign of 1898; now just ahead, there is not going to be any of the complications of 1896 to demoralize the Populists. They will nominate good men, who by reason of their past records, will command the entire confidence and respect of Populists as well as those opposed to them politically. The vote is not likely to be large as it was in 1896, when the peculiar conditions called out practically every voter in the state. There is going to be, also a straight Republican state ticket that will oommand the repect and support of the colored Republicans who, in 1896, voted with the Democrats.

That means that, as a rule, Republicans are going to stand by their nominees, which will mean a large loss to the Democrats.

It is perhaps true that quite a number of white Republicans voted in 1896 for Kearby, but it is believed that the excess of Culberson's vote was almost entirely due to a large per cent of Republicans that voted for the former over the Republican vote that was cast for the latter. In other words, it means that the straight Populist vote in 1896 in Texas was fully as large as the straight Democratic vote, so that in 1898 the two parties will enter into the race with no large majority on either side.

There will be however, one very distinct advantage in favor of the People's party. Texas Populist are not divided, but are even more united in their views and aspirations than at any time in the history of the People's party. They are practically a unit as middle-of-the-roaders, and they have not been fighting, and will not fight, among themselve, over rival aspirants for office. There are no factions in the party here, and it is safe to predict that practically every Populist in the state will vote for the nominees the party will name at its convention to be held in Austin. On the other hand there is already much division among the Democrats. The so-called "kid crowd" has shelved such old party leaders as Reagan and Mills, and is now doing all it can to still further assert its independence by repudiation of the old champions of the party. Wynne is going to be taught that the day of his sort of Democrats in Texas is done. Sayers, who has done more real yeomanry service for his state and party than a dozen of the younger politicians of his party, is likely to be pitched into the waste basket and discarded as a back number, Jester is not in it even a little bit, little as he and his personal friends and political followers seem to think it. The machine at Austin has the whip handle and it has declared that Culberson shall have the support of the party for United States senator to succeed Mills, and that Crane shall, in line with the well known program of the machine, have the party nomination for governor. It is not to be expected that the veteran Democrats of Texas are going to submit quietly to such treatment. It is not in accordance with the recognized weakness of human nature that men who have grown gray in the party's service are going to take the back seats now pointed out for their occupancy, and be satisfied with them. They may not declare an open rebellion to the machine, but they are not going into the campaign of 1898 with any very great enthusiasm for the machine state ticket that is certo be named at Galveston. Besides, they have learned that Populists are not the bad, dangerous men they have been declared by Democratic politicians to be. Already their party has accepted several platform planks of the People's party, national and state, that four years ago was scornfully repudiated by Democrats. Even now they are asking themselves the pertinent question, viz: "If the Populists were so far right in 1892, 1894 and 1896, and we were so far wrong, is it not probable that they are right in 1898? And such reasoning is going to have its effect in 1898. The Sentinel ventures to predict now that there are fully 30,000 men in Texas who in 1896 voted the Democratic state ticket who will not vote it in 1898. Some of them will vote the Republican state ticket, and others will vote the Populist ticket. While practically every voter in the state who in 1896 was a Populist will in 1898 vote the Populist state ticket."

Wetsel Windings.

May 2nd, '98.

The boys of Wetsel have organized a literary. T. O. Murray was elected president and Bunk Wetsel vice president and Rufe Wetsel secretary and John Babitt dag pelter.

L. McMahan, Henry Scott and C. F. Scott, Cook Vantrease and Divett Nunn went fishing and hunting last Thursday.

Mr. Epps was on the sick list last week.

T. O. Murray attended Sunday school at the Grove Sunday.

The prayer meeting at Mr. Huntley Epps was very well attended Sunday night.

L. McMahan will leave for Denton the 19th, on a big hunt.

JIM CROW.

POWERS WILL NOT INTERVENE.

London, May 3.—The Vienna correspondent of the Times says: In well informed circles it is positively denied that the powers will intervene at the present juncture, nor has any agreement been arrived at for mediation at any future time. The disparity of views is considerable enough to render highly improbable the cooperation of all six powers in any diplomatic step, either at Madrid or Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Crouch, Mr and Mrs. H. H. Crouch, Dr. E. E. King and Uncle Charlie Wysong left Monday for Norfolk Va. where they will attend the Southern Baptist convention.

FAIRFIELD BOMBARDED.

Two Youngster Make the Attempt, Which Ended In an Explosion.

The war fever seemed to have struck the small lads as well as the military boys.

Since the Americans had such wonderful success at bombarding Manila and Matanzas, the idea struck two youngsters in north McKinney, that Americans were past-masters in the art of bombarding, and to further strengthen the belief they proposed the bombardment of that northern annex, Fairfield. The parties leading the expedition were Masters Jack Bullock, of Farmersville, and John McWilliams, of this city. They planted a toy cannon, filled it with powder, set the fuse and stood by to watch the result. An explosion and a scream, and then the tender hands of a mother and friends bathed the foreheads and severed the broken skin and singed hair.

The boys do not claim a victory, but are some the wiser, and are on the road to recover.

Last night the boys of Co. F., sixth regiment were given a banquent at the Binkley hotel. by the patriotic citizens of Sherman, in acknowledgement of their appreciation of the gallantry of Sherman's young sons. The banqueters consisted exclusively of the members of the company, their parents, and the officers of the U. C. V. and G. A. R. camps. After the banquet a beautiful flag, the handiwork of the mothers of the boys, was presented to the company, Hon. Cecil H. Smith making the presentation speech and Cecil Lyon responding in behalf of the company.

Dr. Largent spent today in Dallas.

Mrs. W. D. Davis is recovering from a five days illness.

Mack Cook has returned to the graduating class of the McKinney College, after a few week's illness.

Miss Annie Hood has returned to Plano, after a visit to Miss Joe B. Davis in this city.

Whit Dowlin is recovering from a serious spider bite. A doctor had to be called in to relieve him.

Sales Coffey has returned from Sherman, where he made a futile attempt to enter the military company. The required number had already been enrolled when he arrived, hence his failure.

The Butlers and Weavers and Simpsons are being repudiated by the men whose canfidence they have betrayed.

MEXICANS BAMANOSED.

All Mexican In North and Central Texas Have Disappeared.

Without a word, without "wenodias" and without being seen, the Mexicans, who for the past six months have been peddling hot tamales and candy on the streets of McKinney, have taken their departure to parts unknown. The same unceromonious departure has occurred at all the north and central Texas towns in the past few weeks.

When the first signs of war between the United States and Spain appeared, these worthless retrogrades shouldered their knapsacks and fled, doubtless to the Mexican border, where they are in hopes of entering evil practices.

There are many people who are of the opinion that the greasers have had instructions from the banditi of the borders to come and join the raiding expeditions. This may be the case, but if so, the blood-thirsty greasers had better consult some Mexican survivor of San Jacinto.

Clean up before hot weather.

Rev. E. E. King, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Crouch, Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Crouch all of McKinney and C.H. Wysong of Anna departed, Monday evening, for Norfolk, Va., to attend the Southern Baptist Convention which meets there tomorrow. We understand these are the only North Texas attendants north of Dallas.

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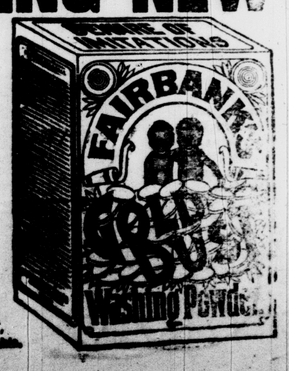

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McKinney Circulating Library

The McKinney circulating library is now an established fact. The first installment of books, 200 in number, have arrived and are to be seen in a desirable room in the rear of C. C. Provine's drug store which will be used as a library for three years free of rent. Mr. Provine is acting librarian. The two hundred volumes have been accepted by the committee and found in every respect to come up to the representation of the organizers Messrs Todd & Jones. In addition a number of the best magazines will be furnished monthly to the library. The following rules govern the enterprise which, it is to be hoped, will form a nucleus around which McKinney will build up a library worthy the intelligence, culture and enterprise of any city:

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AN OLD CITIZEN GONE.

News reached here from Murphy Friday morning that Grandmother Moulden, the aged mother of ex-Sheriff J. L. Moulden, died at her home near Murphy Thursday night. Mrs. Moulden was 82 years old and was one of the first immigrants to Collin county. Old age and general febleness is given as the cause of her death. The remains were intered at the Murphy cemetery Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

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J. M. Andrews,
T. J. Melton,
J. D. McKinney,
W. E. Ditto,
Jesse Shain,
I. D. Newsome & Co.,
Heard & Pierce.

Miss Creswell, assistant teacher in the Princeton public school, is shopping in the city today.

Oll Stiff has returned from a week's stay at the Stiff ranch in west Collin.

Prof. W. M. Erwin, of Melissa, attended the K.P. lodge here Friday night.

Silas Walker left Friday morning to visit home folks at Durant, I. T.

Henry Warden returned from Denton on the Friday train where he had been to attend the McCray-Raley nuptials.

Mr. W. H. Beyett has embarked in the life insurance business and is comfortably situated in the the Shain block on east side of the square.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Thompson visited in Sherman yesterday. Mr. Thompson returning this morning and leaving Mrs. Thompson for a week's visit to relatives in that city.

Our townsman and popular young man, Henry Warden, and Miss Ida Raley, of Denton, stood as first attendants at the McCray-Raley wedding in Denton, Wednesday evening.

Mr. T. W. Erwin, Jr., of Colorado City, Texas, brother of our townsmen, Dr. and Robert Erwin, arrived in the city Thursday evening, with his beautiful young bride, nee Miss Eddie Talifero, from Oakland, I. T., where they were married Wednesday morning. They visited relatives here for a few days and then continued their bridal tour to various points in Texas, then to Colorado City, where they will reside in the future. Mr. Erwin was formerly a citizen of McKinney, and on his return in double harness was met by many old friends, who offered hearty congratulations on his recent acquisition.

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MRS. GUTGESELLE DEAD.

Mrs. Frank Gutgeselle, who has been suffering with pneumonia for some two weeks, died at residence of Mrs. Sue Martin Thursday night. Her condition has been considered precarious for several days. The remains were interred at Pecan Grove cemetery Friday evening at 4 o'clock. She leaves a husband and a little girl about 10-years-old, for whom the Courier extends sympathy in their bereavement.

THE UNIVERSITY CLUB.

The University club met at the home of Mrs. Collier Thursday afternoon, eleven members responding to roll call. The usual routine of business was carried out. The advisability of concluding our year's work in one more meeting was discussed. Mrs. Felton was appointed instructress and will prepare a special program.

Mrs. Pardue being absent, Miss Fannie Waddill conducted the lesson in a zealous and patriotic manner, never for a moment allowing us to forget that a Jackson once lived and a Bryan is still living.

Adjourned at the usual hour to meet with Mrs. McAulay Thursday, May 12. X.

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You are hereby commanded, That by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the county of Collin, if there be a newspaper published in said county, (but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published) for four weeks previous to the return day hereof you summon Robert Jones, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the justice court, of Precinct No. 8, Collin county, Texas, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the county and precinct aforesaid in the town of Blue Ridge, on the 27th day of May, A. D., 1898, file number being No. 313, then and there to answer the petition of Barton Bros., a copartnership composed of Kimber L. Barton, William Barton and George A. Barton, filed in said court on the 26th day of April, A. D., 1898 against the said Robert Jones, and alleging in substance as follows, to wit:

On the 25th of September, A. D. 1896, the plaintiffs, Barton Bros. a copartnership composed of Kimbrell L. Barton, William Barton and George A. Barton, recovered a judgment on an account against the defendant, Robert Jones, for the sum of one hundred twenty six and 90-100 ($126.90) dollars in a certain cause the file number of which is 313 said judgment bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum from the date of the rendition of the said judgment and two and 90-100 ($2.90) dollars cost of suit, and there not having been issued an execution on said judgment within twelve months after the rendition thereof the same became dormant. The said Robert Jones not having paid and satisfied said judgment or any part thereof, this suit is brought to revive said judgment. You will therefore summon the said Robert Jones as by law set forth to be and appear before the Justice court of Precinct No. 8, Collin county, Texas, to be held in the town of Blue Ridge on the 27th day of May, A. D., 1898, then and there to show cause if any he has why the said judgment should not be revived. Herein fail not but make due return of this writ showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand this the 26th day of April, A. D., 1898. E. E. HOLT, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 8, Collin County, Texas.

Why England Loves Us.

In our present unpleasantness with Spain, old England is evincing a great deal of sympathy for the United States; but it is sympathy of a most sordid and selfish character.

Those innocent and ignorant Americans who are filled to the brim with sentimental gush about the friendship of our "English cousins" should cork themselves until they learn the why and the wherefore of England's sympathy and kindly interest in us. A few figures will tell the tale.

The following table showing the number of acres of land in this country of English ownership explains her solicitude for us.

	Acres.
Texas	3,000,000
Florida	2,110,000
Mississippi	2,500,000
Arkansas	50,000
West Virginia	60,000
Missouri	300,000
Illinois	3,000,000
Iowa	3,000,000
Nebraska	3,000,000
Kansas	355,000
Colorado	60,000
California	50,000
Wisconsin	110,000
Passed into hands of English stock holders along the line of the Northern Pacific Ry.	50,000,000
Elsewhere in the South and West	4,932,000

These are not arid lands, but include much of the best farming and mineral lands in the country, and altogether are easily worth a billion dollars.

In addition to her landed interests, she owns five billion of our national state municipal and corporate funds and collects an annual interest from us of two hundred million dollars in gold.

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John Bull loves nothing and nobody unless there is "something in it" for him. He is a cowardly, heartless, unprincipled old robber, a blow hard and braggart, who is a cruel tyrant when dealing with weak and inferior nations but who will truckle at the feet of the United States, Germany or Russia like a pointer pup at the feet of his master.—Corsicana Truth.

NO HOPE FOR GLADSTONE.

The Progress of His Illness is Very Slow.

Hawarden, April 28.—During the day Mr. Gladstone had occasional attacks of pain and did not sleep very well.

Miss Helen Gladstone, replying to a letter of sympathy, writes, referring to the illness of her father:

"We can not hope for his recovery; but the progress of his illness is very slow. He will probably remain with us for some time."

Hon. J. N. Browning, who is a candidate for lieutenant governor, bolted the Houston convention and followed Warwick Clark. He helped to hoist the straddle plank on the democratic party in Texas at Dallas in 1894. Last campaign he followed the gold standard clique in Texas, though we presume he voted the regular ticket. He can't expect much from the regular democracy of Texas. Hon. J. R. Gough of McKinney, is one of the tried and true democrats and will be the tenant governor of Texas.—Van Alstyne News.

As to those leaders who betrayed us at St. Louis, they are pulling for the Democratic party with all their might. Such men won't bear straightening out. They would break in two first

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